House File 868

H-1450

- 1 Amend House File 868 as follows:
- 2 l. Page 3, after line 3 by inserting:
- 3 < . FUTURE READY IOWA SKILLED WORKFORCE GRANT PROGRAM</p>
- 4 For deposit in the future ready Iowa skilled workforce grant
- 5 program established pursuant to section 261.132:
- 6 \$ 200,000>
- 7 2. Page 3, line 19, after <5,> by inserting <\$550,000>
- 8 3. Page 3, line 21, by striking <5, any> and inserting <5.>
- 9 4. Page 3, by striking lines 22 and 23.
- 10 5. Page 21, after line 14 by inserting:
- 11 <Sec. ___. FUTURE READY IOWA SKILLED WORKFORCE GRANT TASK
 12 FORCE.
- 13 1. The college student aid commission shall convene and
- 14 provide administrative support to a task force to review and
- 15 evaluate the design of the future ready Iowa skilled workforce
- 16 grant program. The task force shall do all of the following:
- 17 a. Identify the proper timing and phaseout of the program to
- 18 ensure the least impact on students.
- 19 b. Identify and evaluate the issues relating to the
- 20 eligibility criteria that restricted eligibility in the
- 21 program.
- 22 c. Research and evaluate strategies to incent Iowans to
- 23 enroll in degree programs aligned with high-demand jobs.
- 24 d. Evaluate the maximum grant award necessary to incent
- 25 Iowans to pursue postsecondary training that aligns with
- 26 high-demand jobs.
- 27 e. Explore and develop recommendations regarding the list
- 28 of high-demand jobs used to determine eligibility.
- 29 f. Identify communication barriers encountered in reaching
- 30 the target audience, develop communication strategies, and
- 31 recommend a communication plan designed to overcome those
- 32 obstacles.
- 33 g. Identify the proper support mechanisms to ensure
- 34 eligible applicants enroll in eligible programs and complete
- 35 their degrees.

- 2. The task force shall report its findings and
- 2 recommendations to the commission and the general assembly by
- 3 October 15, 2021.>
- 4 6. Page 21, line 35, by striking <2021> and inserting <2022>
- 5 7. Page 22, line 5, by striking <2020> and inserting <2021>
- 8. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting internal
- 7 references as necessary.

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